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COCA-COLA AMATIL'S ACQUISITION OF RIO BEVERAGES TO PROCEED

Sydney, 1 November 2002: Coca-Cola Amatil (CCA) announced today that the New Zealand Commerce Commission has approved clearance applications for the acquisition of the assets of Rio Beverages Limited, jointly with The Coca-Cola Company (TCCC). The acquisition for approximately NZ\$40 million (approximately A\$35 million), will now proceed to completion.

Completion is expected in approximately two weeks.

The basis of the acquisition remains unchanged and is as follows:

- TCCC will acquire the trademarks and intellectual property associated with the brands and business, which will be authorised for use to Coca-Cola Amatil (NZ) Limited (CCANZ). These brands include Rio Gold and Keri fruit juices, the market leading e2 lifestyle beverage, Thextons fruit juice drink, Ikon energy drink and Kiwi Blue mineral water.
- CCANZ will acquire the remaining business assets of the Rio Beverages business including two bottling facilities in Auckland and Christchurch, cold drink equipment and distribution assets.

Mr Terry Davis, CCA's Managing Director, said "The acquisition will not only benefit the Coca-Cola system in New Zealand but, given the unique positioning of the Rio brands, some of the brands are also relevant in CCA's other markets, particularly the lifestyle beverage segment in Australia."

Yours faithfully

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